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## JURY FINDS SACRAMENTO MAN GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY, MULTIPLE COUNTS OF BANK FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal jury found DAVID RAPHEL KING, 26, guilty of conspiracy to commit bank fraud and to transfer and use identification of another to commit federal crimes; twenty-six counts of bank fraud, and two counts of transfer and use of identification of another to commit federal offenses.

The case was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Sacramento Police Department.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Rodriguez, who prosecuted the case, KING is the sixth defendant to be convicted in this case. The United States presented evidence at trial indicating that KING was a ringleader in the bank fraud and identity theft conspiracy. KING paid cash to obtain confidential bank and credit union account information and identity information of account holders through financial institution insiders at Golden One Credit Union (G1CU), Bank of America, and Wells Fargo Bank. KING and others operating under his direction made and obtained false identification documents in the names of the original account holders along with fictitious financial instruments bearing the names and/or account information of the original account holders. KING also used the stolen bank and credit union information to create counterfeit checks. KING used a network of runners -- persons KING paid a percentage of the face value of a counterfeit check -- to cash counterfeit checks at stores, banks, and credit unions.

On March 17, 2004, co-defendant Kenneth L. Shandy pled guilty to conspiring with KING to commit bank fraud and identity theft. On November 18, 2003, co-defendant Dorian P. Thomas pled guilty to conspiring with KING to commit, among other things, bank fraud and identity theft. On July 30, 2003, Daryen C. Simmons pled guilty to, among other things, conspiring with KING to commit bank fraud and identity theft. On July 31, 2003, defendant Tabitha Harris pled guilty to misdemeanor bank larceny. On July 8, 2003, defendant Jamie Alfred pled guilty to misdemeanor bank larceny.

KING faces a maximum sentence of up to 30 years, a 5 year term of supervised release,

and a \$250,000 dollar fine for each of his bank fraud convictions. For the conspiracy and identity theft offenses, KING faces an additional 35 years of incarceration.

Sentencing is scheduled for July 13, 2005, before United States District Judge William B. Shubb.

There were over 60 victims in this case. However, no financial institution customers lost any funds as a result of the identity theft and bank fraud schemes. All customer funds were federally insured.

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